

FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour 12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business Fifteen "One Minutes"	1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

H.Res. 396 – Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2842 – Accelerating Individuals into the Workforce Act (Rep. Curbelo – Ways and Means) (One hour of debate). The Rules Committee has recommended a structured Rule that provides for one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The Rule provides for consideration of 7 amendments, debatable for 10 minutes, equally controlled by the proponent and opponent of the amendment. The Rule allows one motion to recommit, with or without instructions, and waives all points of order against the legislation.

The Rule also allows for Suspension Authority on the legislative day of June 22, 2017 for H.R. 2353.
Members are urged to VOTE NO.

Complete Consideration of H.R. 1654 – Water Supply Permitting Coordination Act (Rep. McClintock – Natural Resources) (One Hour of Debate). This bill would alter the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) permitting process to expedite the construction of new dams. The bill establishes a permitting process which effectively puts the BOR in the driver seat of permitting new dams and has the potential to undermine the work of other federal agencies fulfilling their statutory obligations to assess impacts on water quality via the Clean Water Act or listed species under the Endangered Species Act. Proponents of the bill argue that "streamlining" the permitting process for new dams will help to create jobs and grow the economy. In reality, the high cost of building a dam, coupled with the limited available funds and permitting issues on the state level, are the primary impediments to building new dams, not federal environmental laws or delays in the federal permitting process. According to the Bureau of Reclamation, not a single dam has been denied construction because of a lack of coordination between Reclamation and other agencies or because of delays associated with environmental review and permitting.

It is clear that H.R. 1654 is being brought to the Floor to make it appear that House Republicans are passing legislation that will create jobs and support continued economic growth – but that is not what this bill does. Federal safeguards and environmental laws, such as the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), do nothing to prohibit dams from being built. Instead of focusing on legislation that will harm the environment and do nothing to create jobs, House Republicans should pass a budget, fund the government, ensure America doesn't default, and take action on legislation that will actually create new jobs.

The Rule, which was adopted yesterday, makes in order 2 amendments, debatable for 10 minutes, equally divided between the offeror and an opponent. The amendments are:

Rep. LaMalfa Amendment. Enhances federal cooperation in planning and construction of State-led water storage projects by ensuring such projects are eligible for permit streamlining under this bill.

Rep. Lowenthal Amendment. Exempts any dam projects from being fast- tracked by the bill if it could harm commercial fisheries.

Bill Text for H.R. 1654:
[PDF Version](#)

Background for H.R. 1654:
[House Report \(HTML Version\)](#)
[House Report \(PDF Version\)](#)

Suspension (1 bill)

1. **H.R. 2353** – Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Rep. Thompson (PA) – Education and the Workforce)



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TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Friday, June 23: The House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to complete consideration of [H.R. 2842](#) – Accelerating Individuals into the Workforce Act (Rep. Curbelo – Ways and Means).

The Daily Quote

"Senate Republicans' plan to pass legislation next week to overhaul the health-care system hung in the balance Wednesday, as at least a half-dozen GOP lawmakers wavered and balked at the push for a quick vote... Lawmakers on both ends of the GOP spectrum are... criticizing the lack of transparency and rapid-fire timeline for a vote... Some Republicans, including Sen. Ron Johnson (R., Wis.), are calling the timetable too rushed to ensure their support. 'I would find it hard to believe I will have enough time,' Mr. Johnson said. 'I've made leadership well aware of the fact that I need information to make a final decision, and if I don't have the information to justify a yes vote, I won't be voting yes.'"

- Wall Street Journal, 6/21/2017